Applicants elect with traverse group I directed to a process. The requirement is traversed because applicants do not think the groups represent "separate and distinct" inventions required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141 (a) because the products claimed are all made by the process claimed, and both groups are in the same U.S. Patent Office class and subclass. Moreover, all the claims in the instant application -- both process and product -- were considered to be part of one group when a parent of this application (Ser. No. 08/817,230, filed June 4, 1997) was examined by the same Examiner on November 26, 1997, and that case found to contain 7 groups. The claims presented in this divisional application are group I claims (directed to furanosylated indolocarbazoles) using that restriction scheme. Applicants, therefore, believe that all the claims properly belong together and should be examined, and request that the requirement for restriction be withdrawn.

If the undersigned can advance the prosecution of the application in any way, the Examiner is invited to call at the number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,

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